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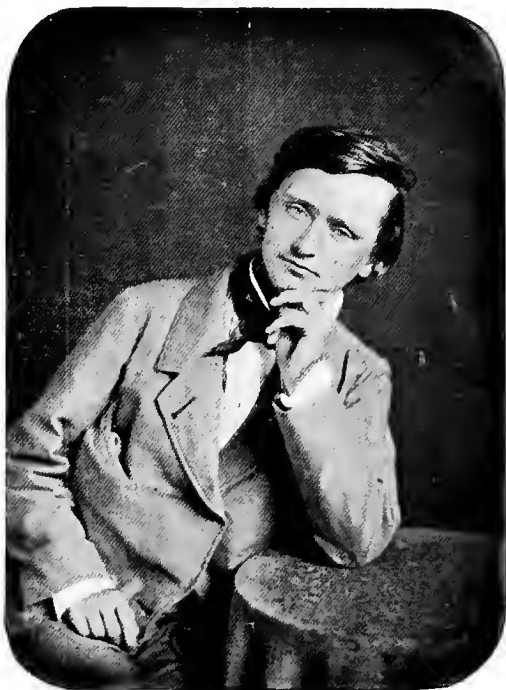
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All in their lifetime carve their own soul's statue.

THOMAS BUCHANAN READ : *The Sculptor's Last Hour.*



Thomas Buchanan Read at the age of 28.
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Born near Downingtown,
Chester Co., Pa.,
March 12, 1822.

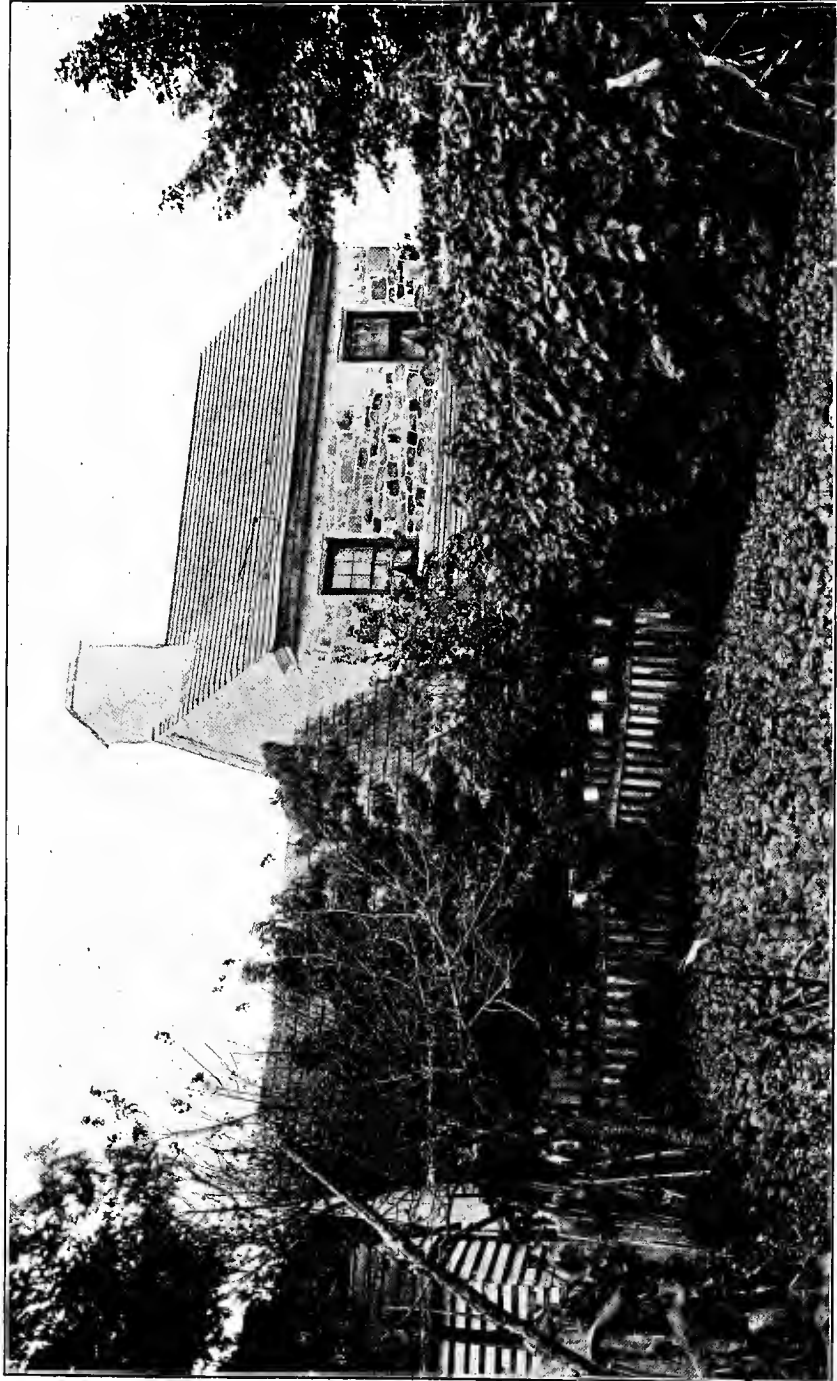
Died New York,
May 11, 1872.

On earth's great page,
Each soul records its pilgrimage.

THOMAS BUCHANAN READ : *The House by the Sea.*

What though my feet have wandered far
Through groves and lawns of antique shores,
Where ever to the morning star
The enamored lark her love-song pours,
And through enchanted woods and vales
Romance still walks, a spirit free,
Thrilled by the poet-nightingales,
I turn, dear native land, to thee.

THOMAS BUCHANAN READ : *The Wagoner of the
Alleghanies.*



Birthplace of Thomas Buchanan Read.

Here my young muse first learned to love and dream. THOMAS BUCHANAN READ: *The New Pastoral*.

From humble home-lays to the heights of thought
Slowly he climbed, but every step was sure.

J. G. WHITTIER : *Bayard Taylor.*



Born
Kennett
Square,
Chester Co.,
Pa.,
Jan. 11, 1825.

Died
Berlin,
Germany,
Dec. 19,
1878.

Bayard Taylor.

Dear is the Minstrel, yet the Man is more. BAYARD TAYLOR : *Goethe Ode.*

The Poet's leaves are gathered one by one,
In the slow process of the doubtful years.
Who seeks too eagerly, he shall not find ;
Who, seeking not, pursues with single mind
Art's lofty aim, to him will she accord,
At her appointed time, the sure reward.

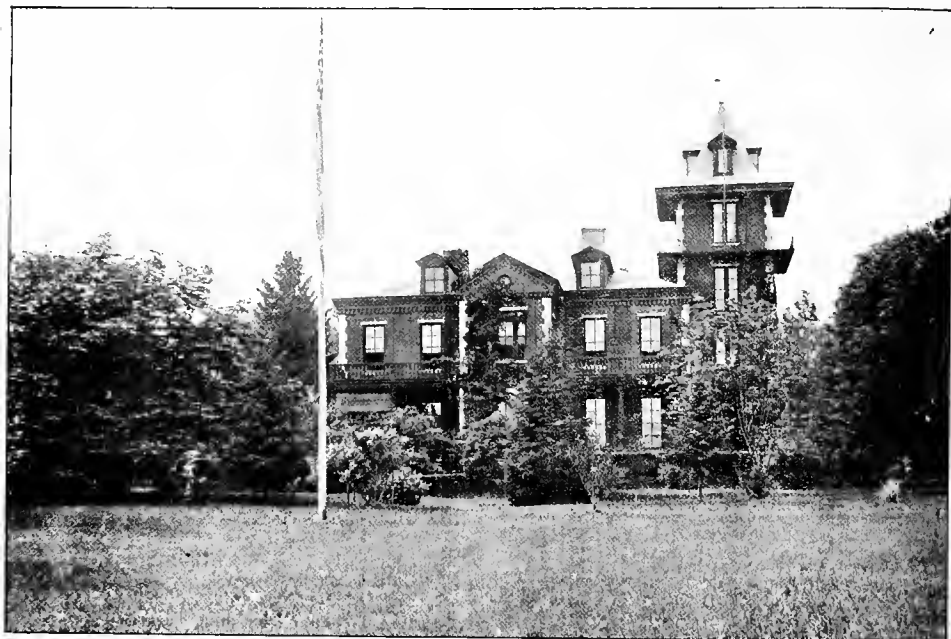
BAYARD TAYLOR : *The Poet's Journal.*

I am a voice, and cannot more be still
Than some high tree that takes the whirlwind's stress
Upon the summit of a lonely hill . . .
Such voices were, and such must ever be,
Omnipotent as love, unforced as prayer,
And poured round Life as round its isles the sea !

BAYARD TAYLOR : *Prince Deukalion.*

Again before me with your names, fair Chester's landscape comes,
 Its meadows, woods, and ample barns, and quaint, stone-built homes.
 The smooth shorn vales, the wheaten slopes, the bosage green and soft,
 Of which their poet sings so well from towered Cedarcroft.

J. G. WHITTIER : *The Golden Wedding of Longwood.*



Cedarcroft —Home of Bayard Taylor.

Here will I seek my songs in the quiet fields of my boyhood.
 Here, where the peaceful tent of home is pitched for a season.
 High is the house and sunny the lawn : the capes of the woodlands,
 Bluff, and buttressed with many boughs, are gates to the distance,
 Blue with hill over hill, that sink as the pausing of music.

BAVARD TAYLOR : *Poem to Home Pastorals.*

While I live, I trust I
 shall have my trees, my
 peaceful, idyllic landscape,
 my free country life at least
 half the year ; and while I
 possess so much, with the
 ties out of which all this
 has grown, I shall own one
 hundred thousand shares in
 the Bank of Contentment,
 and consider that I hold a
 Second Mortgage Bond on
 the Railroad to the Celestial
 City.

BAVARD TAYLOR :
At Home and Abroad.



The Cedarcroft Chestnut.

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